

Gallatin River Travel Planning Area

A. Alternative Travel Area Goals, Objectives, Standards and Guidelines

Travel Planning Area Direction Under Alternative 1

Alternative 1 is the “no action” alternative. There would be no changes to current Forest Plan management direction applicable to travel management.

Travel Planning Area Direction Under Alternatives 2 through 7

GOAL 1: Summer Recreation Use. Provide passenger vehicle access and parking for a variety of recreation uses in and around the Gallatin Canyon, including pleasure driving, kayaking, rafting, fishing, rock climbing, camping and some hiking. *This goal applies to Alternatives 2 through 7.*

OBJ. 1(1): Manage the road and trail system to provide for the following types of summer recreation use. *This objective applies to Alternatives 2 through 7.*

Table II – 64 Summary of Summer Opportunities By Miles							
All mileages are approximate							
Recreation Opportunity	Current	Alt. 2	Alt. 3	Alt. 4	Alt. 5	Alt. 6	Alt. 7
Pleasure Driving							
Miles of Road	12	12	13	13	13	13	12
Backcountry Roads (4x4)							
Miles of Road	4	4	4	4	4	4	0
ATV							
Miles of Road	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miles of Trail	10	2	0	0	0	0	0
Total Miles	10	2	0	0	0	0	0
Motorcycle							
Miles of Road	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miles of Trail	2	11	3	3	1	0	0
Total Miles	2	11	3	3	1	0	0
Mountain Bike (Use Emphasized)							
Miles of Road	17	17	2	2	2	2	2
Miles of Trail	32	26	9	9	7	7	8
Total Miles	49	43	11	11	9	9	10
Mountain Bike (Use Allowed)							

Table II – 64 Summary of Summer Opportunities By Miles							
All mileages are approximate							
Recreation Opportunity	Current	Alt. 2	Alt. 3	Alt. 4	Alt. 5	Alt. 6	Alt. 7
Miles of Trail	2	2	11	11	11	11	12
Pack and Saddle Stock (Use Emphasized)							
Miles of Trail	32	32	24	24	32	32	25
Pack and Saddle Stock (Use Allowed)							
Miles of Trail	1	1	9	9	1	1	8
Hiking (Use Emphasized)							
Miles of Trail	32	32	32	32	32	32	32
Hiking (Use Allowed)							
Miles of Trail	1	2	2	2	2	1	1
* Use for this activity is not prohibited on any trails; use is either emphasized or allowed.							
** Use for this activity is prohibited on some trails.							

OBJ. 1(2): Designate river and cliff access routes and parking areas, avoiding locations where increased access would negatively impact quality peregrine falcon habitat. *This objective applies to Alternatives 2, 3, 4 and 6. It is not included in Alternatives 5 or 7. Under these alternatives, access routes and parking areas would not be designated as a means to improve peregrine falcon habitat.*

GOAL 2: Winter Recreation Use. Provide access to adjacent areas where winter uses are emphasized. *This objective applies to Alternatives 2 through 7.*

OBJ. 2(1): Manage the road and trail system to provide for the following types of winter recreation use. *This goal applies to Alternatives 2 through 7.*

Table II – 65 Summary of Winter Opportunities In Miles							
All mileages are approximate							
Recreation Opportunity	Current	Alt. 2	Alt. 3	Alt. 4	Alt. 5	Alt. 6	Alt. 7
Pleasure Driving (Plowed Road)							
Miles of Plowed Road	37	37	37	37	37	37	37
Snowmobiling							
Miles of Groomed Trail	2	2	7	5	5	5	7
Miles of Marked Trail	4	4	0	0	0	0	0
Total Miles	6	6	7	5	5	5	7

Table II – 65 Summary of Winter Opportunities In Miles							
All mileages are approximate							
Recreation Opportunity	Current	Alt. 2	Alt. 3	Alt. 4	Alt. 5	Alt. 6	Alt. 7
Cross-country Skiing							
Miles of Groomed Trail	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miles of Marked Trail	4	4	6	6	3	6	4
Total Miles	4	4	6	6	3	6	4

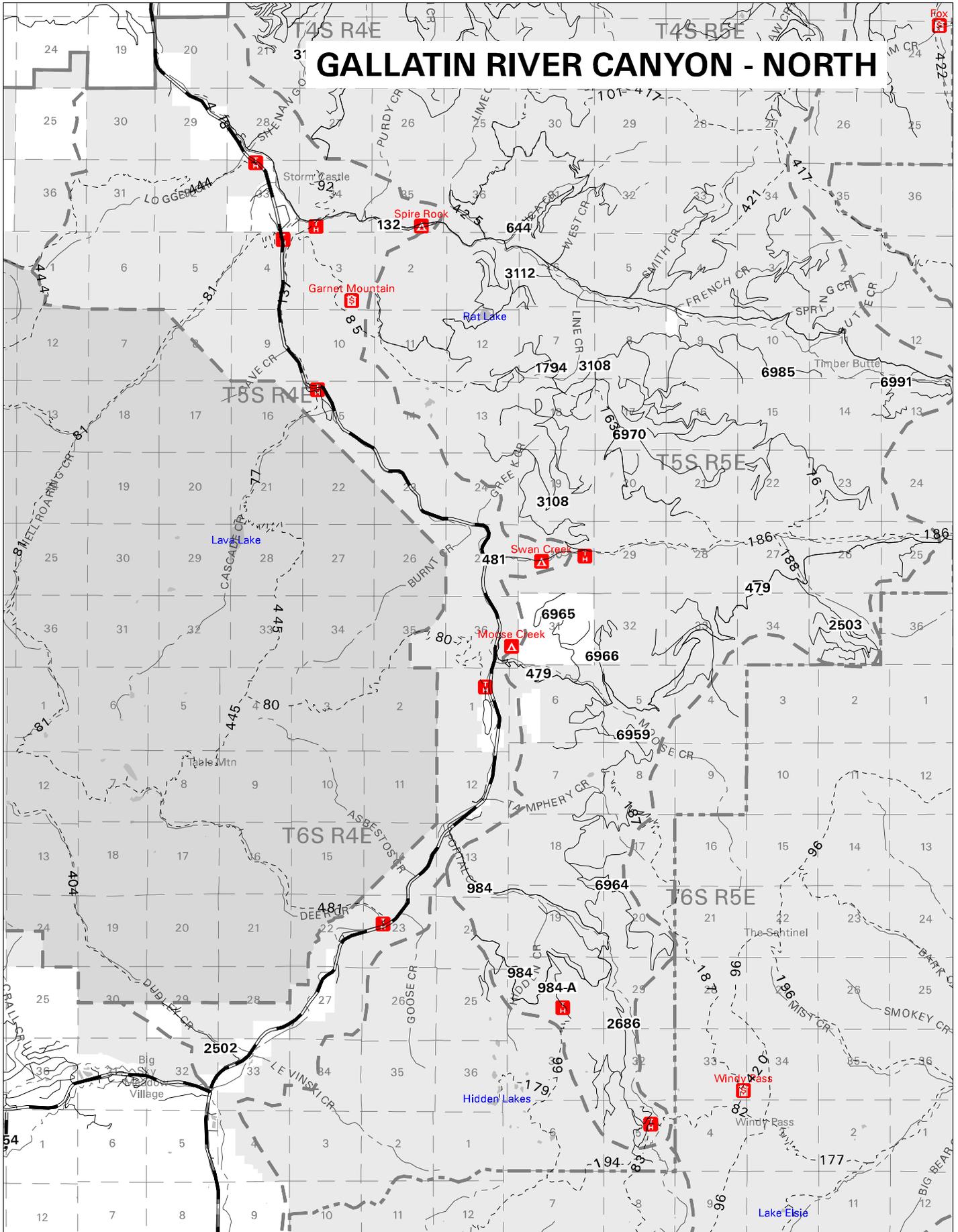
Table II - 66 Summary of Area Restrictions - Acres							
Recreation Opportunity	Current	Alt. 2	Alt. 3	Alt. 4	Alt. 5	Alt. 6	Alt. 7
Snowmobiling							
Yearlong Closure							
Wilderness	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Non-Wilderness	6,967	6,967	17,414	17,414	18,052	19,199	19,633
Seasonal Closure <u>2/</u>							
Wilderness	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Non-Wilderness	3,209	3,209	2,905	39	39	0	39
No Restrictions							
Wilderness	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Non-Wilderness	19,754	19,754	9,611	12,477	11,839	10,731	10,258
Net	29,930	29,930	29,930	29,930	29,930	29,930	29,930
<u>2/</u> Note: Seasonal restrictions are displayed under the route-by-route management section.							

B. Alternative Route-By-Route Management

[See attached table.](#)

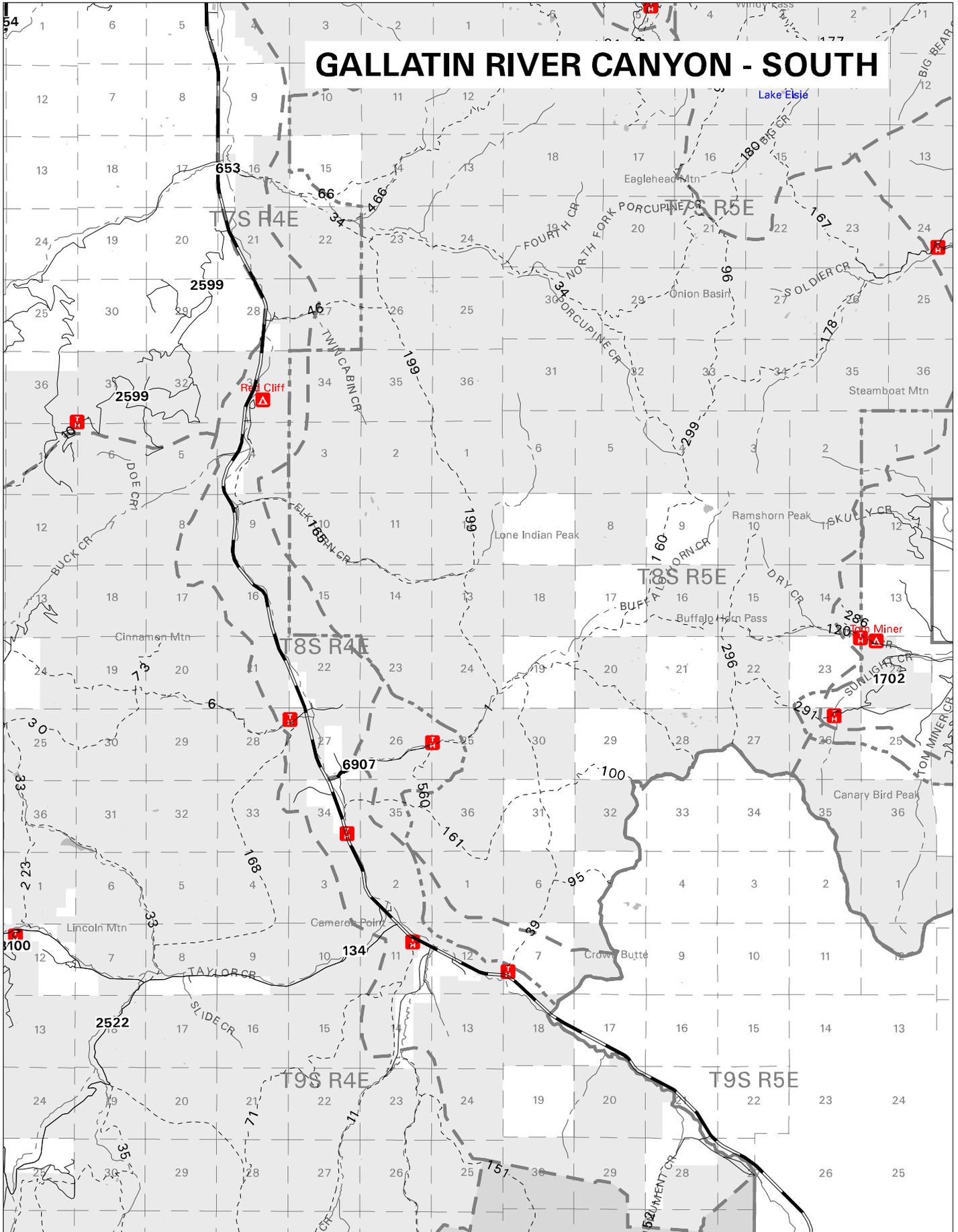
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GALLATIN RIVER CANYON - SOUTH



Gallatin Canyon Travel Area

ROAD/TRAIL plus comments	ALT	Passenger Car	High Clearance	ATV	Motorcycles	MtnBike	Stock	Hiking	Snowmobiles	X-C Snowshoe
HIGHWAY 191 This is a federal highway that the State of Montana maintains. Many Forest roads and trails are accessed by the highway. These roads and trails are displayed in the several adjacent travel areas.	1-6	E No Restrictions YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG						
	7	E No Restrictions YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG						
Designated Pulloffs These are small gravel pulloffs from the highway that access fishing or day use sites along the Gallatin River. Most have no more than a few parking spaces.	1-6	E No Restrictions YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG					
	7	E No Restrictions YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG						